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1. IN A MEETING REQUESTED BY FRG PERM REP GAUS WITH KARL
SEIDEL, HEAD OF THE FRG SECTION OF THE GDR MFA, LATE
JANUARY 11 THE GDR JUSTIFIED NEW MEASURES INSTITUTED
JANUARY 11 TO HINDER ACCESS BY GDR CITIZENS TO THE FRG
PERMANENT REPRESENTATION IN EAST BERLIN. AS REPORTED
IN AN ADN ITEM CARRIED IN EAST BERLIN PAPERS JANUARY 12,
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SEIDEL PROTESTED TO GAUS AGAINST " CERTAIN ACTIVITIES"
OF THE FRG REPRESENTATION THAT CONTRADICTED FRG/GDR
AGREEMENTS ESTABLISHING REPRESENTATIONS IN EACH
COUNTRY AND THAT REPRESENTED AN INTERFERENCE IN THE
INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF THE GDR. ADN REPORTS THAT THESE
ACTIVITIES CONTRADICTED ARTICLE 41 OF THE VIENNA
CONVENTION WHICH PROVIDES THAT MEMBERS OF DIPLOMATIC

MISSIONS MUST ABIDE BY THE LAWS AND REGULATIONS OF THE HOST COUNTRY AND REFRAIN FROM INTERFERING IN ITS INTERNAL AFFAIRS.

2. SEIDEL ALSO REJECTED GAUS'S PROTEST AGAINST GDR MEASURES DIRECTED AT THE FRG REPRESENTATION. ACCORDING TO ADN, SEIDEL DECLARED THAT THE GDR MEASURES WERE INTENDED TO PRESERVE " SECURITY AND ORDER" AND LAY WITHIN THE SOVEREIGN COMPETENCY OF THE GDR. SEIDEL FURTHER STATED THAT THE MEASURES IN NO WAY LIMITED THE WORK OF THE FRG REPRESENTATION.

3. EAST BERLIN PAPERS JANUARY 12 ALSO CARRY AN ADN ITEM REPORTING A JANUARY 11 MEETING BETWEEN DR. MICHAEL KOHL, HEAD OF THE GDR PERMANENT REPRESENTATION IN BONN AND FRG STATE MINISTER HANS-JUERGEN WISCHNEWSKI. ADN REPORTS THAT KOHL PRESENTED WIXCHNEWSKI WITH A GDR NOTE REJECTING AS " FULLY UNFOUNDED" A DECEMBER 30 FRG PROTEST AGAINST THE OUSTER OF CORRESPONDENT LOTHAR LOEWE. ADN REPORTS THAT THE GDR NOTE ACCUSED LOEWE OF DEFAMING THE PEOPLE AND GOVERNMENT OF THE GDR, BREAKING GDR LAW, AND CONTINUALLY MIXING IN GDR INTERNAL AFFAIRS. THE NOTE DECLARED THAT THE GDR ACTION AGAINST LOEWE WAS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FRG/GDR BASIC TREATY AND WITH THE SPIRIT AND LETTER OF THE HELSINKI FINAL ACT. IN THE SAME MEETING, KOHL PROTESTED AGAINST A JANUARY 11 ATTACK AGAINST THE GDR REPRESENTATION IN BONN AND DEMANDED THAT THE FRG GOVERNMENT FULFILL ITS RESPON-
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SIBILITIES UNDER THE VIENNA CONVENTION TO ASSURE THE SECURITY OF THE GDR REPRESENTATION.

4. COMMENT: GAUS TOLD CHARGE ON THE EVENING OF JANUARY 11 THAT THERE HAD BEEN ABSOLUTELY NO GIVE ON THE GDR'S POSITION ON ACCESS TO THE FRG REPRESENTATION EITHER IN HIS MEETING WITH SEIDEL NOR IN WISCHNEWSKI'S MEETING WITH KOHL. GAUS CALLED THE GDR MOVE THE MOST SERIOUS STEP IN INNER-GERMAN RELATIONS SINCE THE LATE 1960S AND HENCE A MAJOR PROBLEM FOR THE FRG. PESSIMISTIC ABOUT THE FUTURE COURSE OF FRG/GDR RELATIONS AND ITS IMPACT ON EUROPEAN POLITICS, HE EXPRESSED CONCERN THAT THE WEST, INCLUDING THE US, WOULD NOT RECOGNIZE THE SERIOUSNESS OF THESE LATEST DEVELOPMENTS IN FRG/GDR RELATIONS. HE FEARED THAT SOME WESTERN COUNTRIES WOULD NOT MIND SEEING THE GDRMANS SQUABBLING AND THAT IT WOULD TAKE THEM SIX MONTHS BEFORE THEY WOKE UP TO THE FACT THAT MORE THAN JUST AN INNER-GERMAN ARGUMENT IS AT ISSUE. GAUS IMPLIED THAT HE WOULD BE IN BONN

FOR THREE OR FOUR DAYS BEGINNING JANUARY 12 AND WOULD
BE BACK FOR THE OPENING OF THE FRG PHOTO EXHIBIT IN
EAST BERLIN ON JANUARY 17, CONTRARY TO THE IMPRESSION
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